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"Lord's Acre" Plan Being Successfully Worked in Church

Buffalo Congregation, Near Sanford, Adopted Plan for All Causes

FINE RESULTS

Forty Acres Are Under Cultivation for Lord's Work

Some time ago it was suggested through the pages of The Messenger that the people of the North Carolina Synod set aside a certain portion of their land, the products of which were to be sold in the interest of the Orphanage, such land to be known as "God's Acre". This was to include not only the members of the rural churches of this state, but those who had other businesses, a certain portion of it to be designated for the work of the Orphanage.

A striking example of the effectiveness of this plan was discovered last month on a trip to Sanford, when a visit was made to the pastor of the Buffalo (Lee) Presbyterian Church. The people of that church, largely of a rural nature, had adopted it as a unit, not just to help in their contribution to the Orphanage at Barium, but to support the church and all of its causes.

After talking with the pastor for some few minutes, during which time he outlined the plan in detail and told of several human interest instances of the effect it was having on the people, the writer departed with a feeling that here was a solution to much of the financial problems of the General Assembly, as well as to the individual churches everywhere.

The suggestion was not made to the Buffalo congregation and then forgotten. Committees were formed, groups were organized, and there was a universal alignment with the program. As a result, the Buffalo Presbyterian Church in Lee County has over 40 acres of various products under cultivation, the proceeds of which will go to the church. The pastor's salary will be paid, current expenses will be cared for, and every cause will receive a larger amount this year than ever before.

Thirty acres of cotton, three of tobacco, and eight of corn have been set aside for the Lord's work. In addition, people have designated chickens, eggs, pigs and cattle as the Lord's. In other places where most of the people do work in cities, the merchants could set aside one day's profits in every ten for the Lord, individuals could apportion the tenth day's salary to the Lord; in fact, any field of endeavor could be included in making positive that the Lord received His tenth.

In Old Testament days, that was the method of giving, for it was said the people brought together the fruits of the land, and when money has been so scarce, it would be an easy way to make a thanksgiving offering to the Lord for all that He has done.

When a church earnestly adopts the idea, others become interested. This was amply testified to in the Buffalo Church's experience, for when a fertilizer concern heard of the plan they asked for a statement, and on the basis of it they contributed a ton and a half of fertilizer to the cause. And, as some have expressed it, "It just seems as if that land which is given for the Lord's work yields a larger return than any other in our possession."

There are hundreds of rural churches in North Carolina. In Fayetteville Presbytery alone there are 75 rural churches. What a revolution in giving would happen if every rural community in the Southern Presbyterian Church adopted this plan! The

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Barium Children In New York For Summer

The picture from which the above cut was made arrived at Barium on the same day that the newspapers carried the story of Mr. Edwin Gould's death. Front Row: Lily Bryant, Flora May Newman, Helen Moore, Mr. Edwin Gould, James Shroyer, Miller Blue, Chas. Nungezer. Back Row: Evelyn Coppedge, Virginia Cranfill, Paul Horn, Tom Morgan.

Our readers have no doubt seen many pictures of Mr. Gould within the last few weeks. None of them are more typical than the one reproduced above. He is in the midst of a group of children that he is doing something for, and if all the children that Mr. Gould has helped, and whose lot he has made happier, were placed in one group, it would be so large that it would be impossible to distinguish individuals. He was a man who seemed to derive his pleasure in doing for young people.

He was a second son of the famous Jay Gould. He devoted the early years of his life to accumulating money, as his father did, but for the last ten years, his main interest in life has been work for children. This work has been mainly in the state of New York. He set up the Edwin Gould Foundation for Children, and put in operation the Clearing Bureau, which acts as a receiving home for twenty-seven institutions, and numerous welfare agencies.

This Clearing Bureau works as follows: Whenever a child is accepted by any institution of the twenty-seven mentioned, the children are sent first to the Clearing Bureau where their health needs are looked after. While there, any dental work or other operations that might be needed, is done. They are innoculated, vaccinated, and sent out finally, with their health safeguarded as far as is humanly possible.

In addition to doing this service for the twenty-seven institutions, there are also hundreds of children that are placed temporarily in the Clearing Bureau until satisfactory foster homes can be secured for them.

In addition to this, Mr. Gould maintains several recreation camps, and in many other ways did he add to the pleasure and happiness of the thousands of children whose lives he touched.

The news of his sudden death came as a shock to us, and to all who knew him.

August Showings To Number Three

Movies Will Be Displayed at St. Pauls, Maxton and Laurel Hill

The more times the moving pictures of Barium are shown, the more convinced are the Barium authorities that this is going to prove a worthwhile investment and will serve to educate the people of the North Carolina Synod as to what transpires at the orphanage which they support. Three displays of the film last month verified the above belief and added to the conclusion previously reach at other places.

Durham, Sanford and Asheboro were the scenes of the showing in July. The Auxiliary of the Durham First Church had their special Barium program on July 17th, and Barium was taken to them through the screen after the picnic supper. Afterwards, statements were made by many that they wanted another showing of the film in the First Church there, when the men and the children could be present.

At Sanford and Asheboro it was displayed before all the congregation of these two churches which attended, and appearances there were on the successive nights of July 18th and 19th. There were excellent attendances at both places, and it is thought that the interests of Barium will be in the minds of the people in these two cities as never

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Treasurer,
Presbyterian Orphans' Home,
Barium Springs, N. C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find $————, to be used in the Orphanage work. You can expect a similar amount from me each month.

OR

This is to authorize you to draw a draft upon me for $ ———— on the ———— Bank of ———— until further notice.

Signed ————
Address ————

First Optimistic Upturn of Receipts at Orphanage Noted in Many Months

Albemarle Presbytery Is Spurting Ahead of All Others, Due to Enthusiastic Work of Interested Group at New Bern

Presbytery	1932 Membership	1933 Membership	July Receipts	Am't Received Per Member	Am't Per Mem. for Year.	Am't Due End of 4th. Mo.	Am't Behind
Albemarle	3990	4301	$ 556 99	13 c	21¾c	40c	18¼c
Mecklenburg	16564	16769	1712.55	10¼c	19¼c	40c	20¾c
Winston-Salem	4006	4267	490.63	11½c	17½c	40c	22½c
Concord	11256	11457	371.01	3¼c	11¼c	40c	28¾c
Kings Mountain	5287	5413	246.78	4½c	11 c	40c	29 c
Wilmington	7644	7860	150.60	2 c	8½c	40c	31½c
Fayetteville	11679	11871	436.42	3½c	7¼c	40c	32¾c
Orange	10791	10999	101.62	1 c	6¾c	40c	33¼c
Granville	5601	5812	90.23	1½c	5¾c	40c	34¼c
Totals	**76818**	**78749**	$ 4156.83	**5.3c**	**10.9c**	**40c**	**29.1c**

Do you notice anything particular about this table? We want to call your attention to the spurt that Albemarle Presbytery is making. Is there a reason for it? There is.

Several months ago, a party from New Bern visited Barium. One man seems to have inspired the trip. He went back to Albemarle Presbytery with a message for that Presbytery from Barium. He has gone over and is still going over that division of the Synod, and as a result Albemarle Presbytery is stepping right out to the front in the contributions to this great work.

For a number of years, it seemed that most of the things sent to Barium from Albemarle Presbytery were children. We have lots of them, here from Albemarle. But under Dr. Hand's inspiring leadership, the contributions are commencing to roll in.

For the past few years, residents in Fayetteville Presbytery have commenced at the bottom and read up when looking to see how their Presbytery is standing. You will note that Fayetteville lacks a good deal of being at the bottom of the list at the present time, and we have a hunch that Fayetteville has placed a permanent "To Let" sign on that cellar position, and does not intend to go back there any more. Is there a reason? We believe there is; and here it is: Back some months ago, in answer to the universal requests, "What can we do, since we have no money"? the suggestion was made that something be set aside to work for the Lord. A man as a farmer, to set aside a portion of land, depending on the size of his farm, and let the proceeds from this land be used in the Lord's work. If a person ran a dairy, to give the proceeds from one cow. If a family was in the poultry business, to set aside a pen of chickens; to carry the idea of "A God's Acre" into all lines of business. Now this idea seems to have taken in Fayetteville Presbytery more than in the others, and some very interesting and encouraging reports have been heard. We heard of one crippled lady who had never been able to give much to the Lord's work, who started out with a setting of eggs. Those eggs hatched out into chickens that finally grew into fryers. As a result, quite a liberal offering was made by this so-called helpless lady. She was able to give more than she had ever given in her life to the Lord.

"In the morning we sow our seed and in the evening we withhold not our hand, and we know not which shall prosper, whether this or that, or whether both shall be alike good." Wouldn't it be an interesting proposition if each of us had a piece of land that we would not have to worry about? We could do the culti-

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Sunday School Offering in July Exceeded June's

Increase Over Previous Month Was $117.24--Ten Days' Meals Served

ENCOURAGEMENT

Sunday Schools Seem to Be Accepting Challenge

The Sunday Schools of the North Carolina Synod seem to have accepted the challenge to serve a full month's meals at the Orphanage three times a day, for the total contribution from all of the Sunday Schools during the month of July was $117.24 above that of June. In other words 1,172 more meals could have been served the children here by the Sunday Schools last month. That would have served meals for a full day to the 300 boys and girls enrolled at Barium, and most of them could have been given breakfast, too, on another day.

With meals at Barium averaging around ten cents per meal, it would take an offering of $2700.00 a month from the Sunday Schools of the North Carolina Synod to serve a full month's meals. That's the goal, and yet it is a goal that can be attained if every Sunday School will set aside one month's offering to Barium and concentrate upon making that particular offering the largest of any during the month. The total can not jump to $2700.00 overnight, nor in a month or two, but it is believed here that it can be eventually attained.

If you are a Sunday School superintendent and haven't presented this to your Sunday School, do so on the Sunday prior to the next offering, recall it to their attention on the day the offering is taken, and watch the results. The tabulation on the Sunday Schools, given during July, as compared with June, has many evidences of the successfulness of this objective, and with a universal presentation every time an offering is taken for Barium, results will be fully evident.

You set the goal for your particular Sunday School. If the offering was $20.00 last time, set the goal at 300 meals the next Sunday an offering is made for Barium. You know the abilities of your Sunday School, and your judgment of a goal would be better than that of any official on the Barium campus.

It will take more than ordinary effort on the part of all Sunday School superintendents and others presenting Barium's cause to serve as many meals in August as for July, for so many of the Presbyterians of the State will be absent on vacation. This next month constitutes a particular challenge to the Sunday Schools.

The Messenger will carry, from month to month, a report on the Sunday School total. See how many more meals you can individually serve to the Barium children the next time a contribution is announced for this institution. The meals that could have been served to the Barium children by the offering of the Sunday Schools for the first four

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20,000 Messengers Are Now Being Distributed

Twenty thousand copies of this issue of The Barium Messenger are being printed this month, which is 3,000 more than were printed several months ago when a revision of the mailing list was begun. Work upon an accurate check of the 17,000 names originally on the roster continues day by day, and will be a never-ending task, for by the time a complete revision is made it will be time to start all over again.

Co-operation of the pastors, individuals and postoffice authorities, in making the Barium Messenger mailing list as accurate as possible, has been solicited. There is much yet to be done. While pastors throughout the North Carolina Synod have returned 75 or more revisions of their church's or churches' membership to us, many have lists in their possession which are yet to be sent, and there are still other rosters which are to be mailed to the pastors.

The detail involved in making the revision is tremendous. During the month of July alone approximately 1500 names were dealt with, either by taking some out because they were duplicates, the people were deceased or had moved away; by making a change of address within a city, or by adding new names. The sum

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Big News, Maybe

If we were archaeologists or famous students of history what we have to say might cause a tremendous sensation all through the world.

The great mystery of what became of the Lost Ten Tribes of Israel may be on the verge of being solved. We believe we have discovered where they went to, and where their descendents are today. We believe their descendents are members of the Southern Presbyterian Church, and the very heart of it is here in the North Carolina Synod. Our proof? Here it is:

You know in our Sunday Schools we are now studying the Book of Judges, and we see in that book, how that every time the children of Israel became the least bit secure and prosperous that they forgot God and became very wicked. Then disaster would come upon them, in the form of what we call today, "Depressions", and then they became religious again. God was good to them and brought back prosperity, and then with this returning prosperity, the people again forgot God. This happens so many times, that it must have been a national trait, and it is the discovery of this trait in the Presbyterians of North Carolina that make us believe that we have discovered the Lost Tribes.

For instance, back yonder in the glorious days of 1926 27-28 that we like to think of now as being on the mountain-top of prosperity, the membership of our church stood still for several years, and then in the year 1927, actually shrank 42,000 through the whole Southern Church; and it was at that time, that the curtailment of the work in the foreign fields, in home missions and in Orphanage work began. We were all so busy enjoying the fruits of prosperity that we did not have time to go to church ourselves or to lead other people to church, and we just forgot that there was such a thing as a collection plate.

The writer of this article wrote an editorial in August, 1927, commenting on the fact that the Southern Presbyterian Church seemed actually to be going out of business. That was the year in which several pessimists committed suicide because they could not find anything to be gloomy about. That was the year that we had a bumper corn crop in North Carolina, and the corn borer in Indiana caused us to have a good price. There was a bumber crop of cotton, and the Mississippi flood helped the price of it. Tobacco also was good, and everything that man desired seemed to be ours in abundance without even the evils of over-production, and *that* was the time that our church was shrinking so rapidly.

Now, a lot of things have happened to us since that time. It has not been the Midianites; nor the Philistines; nor the Amelekites, but it has been the stock market, and over-production, and old "General Depression" that have camped round about us and made us remember that we need something else in our lives besides the products of our own hands. There is a need for God, after all, and in our distress we have begun to remember Him.

Just take a look at the Assembly Minutes for the year ending March 31, 1933. These minutes cover that period of our church's activity when we were in the very bottom of the depression, and the church year ended before even the present glimmerings of prosperity had begun to make their appearance. We did not know whether Roosevelt "was the sound of abundance of rain," or just a big wind; and yet during that time of so little promise, our church made the largest gain in membership of any time within the last ten years.

Doesn't that remind you of the religious revival at the time of Deborah; and of the people flocking to Gideon when he erected an altar to the Lord, and all the other religious revivals when the children of Israel were in the depths of distress.

This is not all the good news. We want you to observe our table of receipts. We are putting lots of things in this table. Not only the membership of the various Presbyteries for last year and for this year, but the returns in money for July.

This money shows a decided improvement over this month a year ago. It begins to look like the people are actually bringing of the first fruits into the Lord's Treasury, and that this is reflected in this particular part of the Lord's vineyard. Isn't that fine! Along with general universal advance, all along the front, we find this striking increase in contributions. If that continues, we believe that prosperity is truly returning.

In studying the history of the world, there does not seem to have ever been a time of prolonged prosperity; a thing to which mankind has always looked forward. With each recurring depression, laws have been made and resolutions adopted to forever abolish the causes that brought about that particular depression; and yet, depressions continue to return, and we have full years and lean years, and it all seems so unnecessary.

What are we going to do about it now, and what do we think about it? Could it be possible that we are in the same plight as those Israelites that we read about in the Book of Judges that could not stand prosperity, but always forgot God at such times?

Maybe mankind has not tried it out, and seriously attempted to remember God. Surely God's work is here to do in good times, as well as bad, and that is really all we are here for. Nobody can be so vain as to think that the Lord created him for the sole purpose of adorning the world, or for being entertained in it; and if He makes our lot easier, it must be because He wants us to do His work better; that seems to be the thing that we forget.

We don't know how far the message of this little paper reaches, but we wish it could reach the heart of every Presbyterian in this grand old state, and that it could in some way inspire that heart to make a resolve that no matter what degree of prosperity might lie ahead, that the first fruits should always be devoted to God's service; that before a man separates any for his own needs or for the needs of his family, that a portion should be set aside for the Lord. Isn't this the Lord's command, and isn't this true worship, and isn't this the only way that prosperity can be made to abide?

Glance over the table of receipts. At the present time the Synod, as a whole, in spite of the spurt noted in July receipts, has given the equivalent of only 11 cents per member since the beginning of this church year, April 1st. We need and should have had during this time, 40 cents per member. We owe somebody the difference—twenty-nine cents per member.

It rather cheapens the Lord's work in the eyes of the world, that we should continue to owe these amounts. Think it over, brethren! Isn't it possible that there is another trait that our church has that bears a striking resemblance to the Israelites of Gideon's time? There were 32,000 people who volunteered for Gideon's army. Twenty-two thousand, you remember, were dropped because they really did not enter the army very seriously—they just went with the crowd. Nine thousand seven hundred of them were dropped because they were not so enthusiastic about it; and 300 only did the job.

There are 78,000 members of the Presbyterian Church in the Synod of North Carolina right now. It is amazing to find out how very few of this 78,000 are actually doing something. If they were subject to the same tests as Gideon's army, we wonder if the comparison would follow the same percentages as in that far away time?

What are we going to do the next thirty days or sixty days, or ninety days? During that time our Government at Washington is going to turn loose in North Carolina, millions for roads, millions for cotton, hundreds of thousands in reconstruction, and public works. It is spending hundreds of thousands in taking care of the destitute.—(A job that the church has had to do largely in the past.) There is going to be just lots of money in circulation, and the merchants are preparing for it. They are looking forward with great enthusiam to the increased flow of money through the channels of business. Now, we wonder just how much of that will find its way into the Lord's treasury! Is it necessary for us all to get our house in order and ourselves back to the luxurious level of 1927, before we can remember the Lord's work?

Will we in our zeal to climb out of the depths, not have time to think of those commissions that the Lord so plainly gave us? If so, we want to venture a prediction: We are not a prophet nor the son of a prophet; we are not a mystic, nor superstitious; but we state this as our firmest conviction, and with this you must agree: *that if we do not give the Lord's work a large and first share in our returning prosperity, that prosperity will be only for a day, and we will all live to look back on this particular time as a time of promise but promises unfulfilled.*

Read your Book of Judges. Count the number of times that this idea is expressed: That the people forgot God, and then disaster came upon them.

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We have sometimes wondered at Barium as to how carefully The Barium Messenger was read by the people who receive it. Since the July issue was publisned we've been firmly convinced that there's a pretty general perusal of it through statements that have been made to us in numerous letters.

In the first place, treasurers and individuals have stated in accompanying letters that no receipts will be required to their gifts; in the second place, several local treasurers have notified us that hereafter the gifts of their Sunday Schools would be sent direct to the Orphanage instead of to the Presbytery Treasurer, and finally, a number of individuals have dropped us postal cards informing us that two copies of The Messenger were coming to their homes and that one could be discontinued.

So much for the preliminaries.

Below are two letters which came since the July Messenger was sent out:

"Enclosed please find check amounting to ——— covering offering from our Sunday School for Sunday, July 16. It is not necessary for you to acknowledge receipt of this remittance."

"I am enclosing money order for $5.00 for account of the——— ——Sunday School. No receipt is requ'red."

We didn't reply to those two gifts, because we knew these treasurers were well aware of our appreciation and were thinking of the postage that would be saved the Orphanage by not replying.

The first was a check for an unusually large amount, the monthly arrival of which means considerable to us. We wanted to tell that treasurer and that Sunday School once more of our gratitude, but we omitted the thanks at his request.

The money order was for an amount in excess of the total which that Sunday School gave during the entire year 1932-33. How we wanted to write that treasurer and Sunday School our congratulations upon this accomplishment and voice our gratitude for having exceeded this early in the 1933-34 church year their previous twelve months' total! But, as in the above case, we did not write, because the treasurer considered the saving to us and said it wasn't necessary.

Those are two evidences from the Sunday Schools, but here's one from an individual:

"Please do not receipt it, acknowledge it by letter or publish it in the Messenger. Just use it."

That request went all others one better than ever before. The giver didn't care about a receipt, the cancelled check would show that it reached us; it wasn't given to get a personal letter of thanks from us, and futhermore, it wasn't a contribution for public recognition.

It is listed in The Messenger, but it has been designated as a gift coming from "A Friend." The latter appears several times in the miscellaneous contributions, for there are a number of people who have requested from time to time that we withhold their names. They don't have to repeat that request every time a gift is sent, for we try to conform to their wishes all of the time.

Along came another letter and a $300.00 check. Here's what the contributor wrote:

"I received my copy of The Messenger this morning. Unfortunately, most of the front page had been torn off and lost in the mail, but there was still enough of the paper left to show you are having a pretty hard time right now. I therefore send the enclosed check. * * * It is a personal gift so that I may feel that I have relieved you of the expense of the Orphanage for one day at least. I do not want this published nor my name to appear in connection with it at all."

Words fail to adequately comment upon this. This individual knew that the expenses at Barium hover around the $300-per-day mark, and wanted to take care of one full day's expenses. What a fine thing to do! What a relief to us that we didn't have to worry about one day's expenses! Personal contributions were made during July that would take care of a total of almost six days' expenses. Would that this happened every month of the year. There are other Presbyterians of the state who could take care of one day a year, and we're hoping that their hearts will be moved to do so.

We heard from two local treasurers who informed us that hereafter the Sunday School gifts would come direct to us. This was pleasing, because every day's receipts count at the Orphanage, and we will not lose the use of these funds almost a month, as has been true in the past. The following was one of the letters:

"By order of the Session each first Sunday offering is to be mailed direct to you. You will find enclosed check for July, and each month will follow likewise."

The other local treasurer, after noting the amount of the check and the Sunday School from which it was sent, wrote:

"I have been sending these monthly checks to ———, but I read your editorial about some treasurers withholding their remittances for a time. I do not know how ——— did, but will send direct to you from now on. I always designated the cause for which the check was sent. Am sure he made remittances accordingly, for his receipts to me showed the cause. * * * "

The Presbytery Treasurer he referred to has always been prompt in emitting to Barium, and we do not think that any funds intended for the Orphanage went astray because this local treasurer designated them. However, suppose designation had been omitted one month because of oversight. We couldn't have obtained the money from other causes to which it had already been distributed. Anyhow, they're going to come direct from now on, and any possibility of error will be eliminated, and we will also have the use of the money a day or two after it is contributed.

We have had much to encourage us recently over the alignment of many Sunday Schools to the plan of devoting one Sunday's offering each month to Barium. Letters which have been written to us that this has been decided are too numerous to quote in this column, but we are reprinting extracts of one:

"I understand that from now on each class in our Sunday School is going to make a special offering for Barium Springs, and if this plan is carried out, I want to make remittance each month * * * "

From our knowledge of that church and its financial ability, we think this is going to be a considerable amount each month, and will do much toward enabling the Sunday Schools to attain our challenge of serving a full month's meals, three times a day, at the Orphanage.

We are grateful for the interest that individuals take in the tabulation of contributions. Here's an instance that happened last month:

"The —— Sunday School takes up a collection for the Orphans' Home each first Sunday in the month and all this church year I have not seen any collection in The Messenger from ———. Does he not send it? If not, please write him or me."

What happened in this case was that the treasurer waited until the funds accumulated and then sent them to Barium, for we recieved a contribution from that Sunday School during July. Our preference is that the gift be sent immediately, no matter how small it may be. To most people, it would seem advisable to wait a month or two until the amount mounted, but if every Sunday School waited, it might mean the making of additional notes to meet our bills, and thus a futher expenditure of interest.

—P. O. H.—

Visitor:: "How's business around here?"

Mr. Milton: "It's so quiet you can hear the notes at the bank five miles away drawing interest."

—P. O. H.—

"He dropped a nickel in the plate,
Then meekly raised his eyes,
Glad the weekly rent was paid,
For a mansion in the skies."

—P. O. H.—

Being a thoroughbred depends not so much on your ancestors as on yourself.—Ex.

Miscellaneous Gifts

A Friend, Charlotte, pr. shoes and 3 dresses.
Mrs. G. B. Ingles, Aux. Charlotte 2nd Church, jigg saw puzzles.
Ebenezer-Obids Aux., 1 quilt.
Aux. Mt. Tabor, 1 pr. pillow cases.
Davidson College, 1933 Annual.
Rocky River Church, towels, pillow cases, canned fruit and pickles.
Group of Ladies, Salisbury First Church, games for Howard cottage.
M. C. McDonald, West End, truckload of peaches.
E. D. Bowditch, Toecane, 600 lbs. beans.

Clothing Boxes

Aux. Oakland-Clayton

Clothing Money

Aux. Smithfield	7.50
Washington 1st S. S., Beg. & Pri. Depts.	3.35
Aux. Sugaw Creek	6.25
Falkland S. S.	5.00
Aux. Tenth Avenue	2.00
Rumple Bible Class, Salisbury 1st S. S.	5.00
Business Girls' Circle, Westminster (O) Aux.	7.00
Aux. Grove (W)	12.50
Aux. Back Creek	2.25
Aux. Bethpage (C)	15.00
Relief Circle, Kings Daughters, Salisbury	5.00
Pinetops Aux.	8.50
Tenth Avenue S. S., Flora Grady B. C., Miss Cora Richards	15.00
Wadesboro Aux.	15.00
Graves Memorial Aux.	25.00
Howard Memorial Aux., Mrs. Job Cobb, June & July	16.00
Howard Memorial Aux., Mrs. Geo. Holderness	8.50
Howard Memorial Aux., Mrs. Mabry Hart	4.00
Lillington Aux.	2.50
Mebane Aux., Dr. & Mrs. Mell Thompson	20.00
Rockfish Aux	5.00
Total	**$196.35**

Miscellaneous Support

Rev. James Appleby, Maxton	1.00
A. E. Scharrer, Hickory	5.00
F. P. Tate, Morganton	6.00
J. F. Hurley, Sr., Salisbury	10.00
Miss Margaret Carter, Davidson	10.00
Mrs. Carrie S. Brown, Davidson	10.00
A Friend	10.00
Jas. Sloan, Redlands, Calif.	200.00
J. E. Latham, Greensboro	25.00
Mrs. Carl I. Carlson, Greensboro	200.00
J. M. Rogers Bible Class Winston-Salem 1st., in lieu of flowers for W. B. Taylor's funeral	5.00
A Friend, Raleigh	3.00
A Friend,	50.00
Thos. R. Smith, Charlotte	100.00
E. R. Wharton, Winston-Salem	5.00
C. W. Safrit, Troy	10.00
M. L. Church, Charlotte	10.00
Miss Marie Proctor, Cornelius	5.00
Miss Annie B. Payne. New York City	5.00
Miss Mary White, Greensboro	23.37
A Friend	10.00
A Friend	5.00
Mrs. Cameron Morrison, Charlotte	1000.00
Total	**$1710.37**

Support Fund

CHURCHES

A Friend	300.00
Albemarle Presbytery, Undesignated	10.33
Back Creek	7.05
Badin	7.50
Bethlehem (A), Community Vocal Union	1.00
Bethpage (C)	2.22
Battain	4.23
Burgaw	1.79
Caldwell Mem.	34.93
Centre (C)	6.18
Charlotte 1st Special	120.00
Charlotte 2nd regular	150.00
Charlotte 2nd Special	16.00
Concord Iredell	5.63
Cooks Memorial	7.00
Davidson	21.75
Duncans Creek	2.16
Eureka (F) 1st Quarter	2.73
Front Street	1.87
Gilwood	2.05
Gilwood	.82
Graves Memorial	12.71
Hallsville	.33
Harrisburg	4.65
Hickory	18.22
Highland	27.08
Immanuel	4.98
Kannapolis	13.88
Kings Mountain	25.00
Lenoir, A Friend	20.00
Maxton 1st	31.31
Montpelier	7.50
Mooresville 1st	25.00
Mooresville 2nd	.90
Mt. Pisgah	1.00
Mt. Zion	5.02
Oak Plain	.75
Paw Creek	7.50
Pleasant Hill	5.00
Prospect	4.30
Prospect	1.91
Red Springs	21.77
Rockfish	1.12
Rocky Point	1.65
Rutherfordton	7.31
Rutherfordton	1.80
St. Andrews (W)	34.00
Salisbury 1st.	51.46
Salisbury 2nd	3.75
Seversville	8.50
Sharon	10.25
Shelby	19.60
Sherwood	12.41
Shiloh (C)	.97
Spencer	6.37
Steele Creek	57.00
Sugaw Creek	7.50
Teachey	.75
Third Creek	1.88
Thyatira	4.77
Union Mills	3.75
Unity (C)	1.30
Unity (C)	1.46
Wadesboro	10.00
Westminster (M)	38.19
Willard	1.12
Winston-Salem 1st., 1st Quarter	300.00

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Asheboro, Special	12.39
Ashpole	3.20
Belmont	23.13
Bethel (M)	2.03
Bethesda (F)	8.25
Black River	2.10
Black River	1.90
Brittain	2.73
Broadway, Feb. thru July	13.87
Buffalo (G)	10.11
Bunnlevel, Special	5.00
Calypso	3.91
Chadbourn	1.80
Chadbourn	3.70
Church-In-Pines	4.53
Clarkton, June & July	14.71
Concord First	52.61
Concord Iredell	5.90
Cooks Memorial, 1st. quarter	11.50
Cornelius	5.75
Covenant (F) 1st. quarter	10.00
Cramerton	10.57
Duncans Creek, June & July	1.91
Elizabethtown	4.33
Eno	6.00
Farmville Beg. Class	3.65
Fountain, June	1.89
July	1.15
Fuller Memorial, Special	1.85
Gastonia 1st., Jr. Dept.	5.50
Gastonia 1st., Jr. Dept.,	1.34
Gastonia 1st., Men's B. C.	19.28
Goldsboro	5.17
Graham, Adult Woman's Class	10.00
Graves Memorial	5.39
Harmony (C)	3.07
Harmony (W) S. S. & Church	5.00
Harmony (W)	5.00
Hope Mills, 1st. quarter	8.60
Hopewell (M)	2.54
Huntersville	5.67
Jackson Springs	11.53
Jacksonville	9.96
Kings Mountain	41.78
Lillington, April	5.17
May	4.84
June	4.39
July	4.40
Lincolnton	7.09
Lincolnton	12.28
Little Joe's	1.65
Long Creek	2.30
Lumber Bridge	3.54
McPherson, June	2.24
July	4.34
Marion	4.77
Maxton	6.18
Mocksville	7.77
Mocksville	9.76
Monroe	17.00
Mooresville 1st	7.73
Mt. Olive	5.00
Mt. Pisgah	1.00
Nahalah	2.00
Nahalah	2.00
New Bern	6.34
New Hope (KM)	4.07
New Hope (KM)	4.66
Patterson, June and July	2.00
Paw Creek	36.91
Philadelphus (F)	2.06
Pittsboro	2.22
Providence (F)	2.40
Raleigh 1st., Betty Penick B. C. Special	2.00
Raleigh 1st., Jr. Dept., Special for vacation fund	14.01
Raleigh 1st, Moment Class	6.75
Raven Rock, June	.73
July	1.07
Red Springs	4.00
Rock Branch	29.32
Rock Branch	29.86
Rocky Mount 1st., Jennie K. Hill B. C.	5.00
Rocky Mount 1st.	11.58
Rocky Mount 1st, Men's .B C. June	3.85
July	3.49
Rocky River	25.00
Rowland, May, June & July	15.73
Salisbury 1st., Woman's B. C.	5.00
Shiloh (F) April, May, June and July	9.20
Shiloh (KM)	5.20
Smithfield, Special	2.01
Smyrna (F)	6.90
Spencer, April, May and June	11.50
Spies	2.51
Tenth Ave., Flora Grady B. C., Miss Cora Richards	15.00
Tenth Avenue	30.45
Thyatira S. S.	9.85
Trinity Avenue	10.00
Union (KM)	4.25
Union Mills	3.35
Vanguard 1st. Birthday Gift	3.78
Vass	3.14
Vass	4.48
Warrenton, May and June	5.63
Washington	15.00
West End	4.05
Westminster (M)	11.88
Westminster (M) Lydia B. C.	6.00
Westminster (M), Men's B. C.	28.20
Westminster (O)	12.03
Willard, April, May & June	5.34
Wilson	41.25

AUXILIARIES

Asheboro, Special	4.00
Ashpole, Regular	22.50
Special	2.16
Back Creek	1.17
Belmont	11.00
Bethesda (F) June & July	11.88
Bethesda (F), Special	5.60
Bethlehem (A)	1.00
Caldwell Memorial	10.00
Carthage, $1 per circle, 4 mos.	16.00
Charlotte 1st	11.25
Cherryville	2.30
Cherryville	1.50
Cooleemee	4.00
Duncans Creek, Ladies Adult Class, June & July	.96
Durham 1st, Special	5.00
Eureka, Jan. Feb. & March	3.00
Elise	3.00
Fuller Memorial, Regular	2.00
Fuller Memorial, Birthday Offering	1.70
Gastonia 1st.	5.50
Gibson	3.00
Glenwood, April to July	9.00
Greenville	10.00
Grove (W)	3.00
Hawfields	5.00
Henderson, 1st. quarter	8.50
Howard Mem. (Last year)	6.00
Howard Memorial, June & July	12.00
Immanuel	2.89
Jackson Springs, last year's pledge	10.00
Jonesboro, Special	3.00
Lenoir	9.50
McPherson, Regular	7.00
Special	2.00
Macclesfield, full pledge for 1933-34	3.00
Mocksville	9.35
Mt. Holly	4.62
Mt. Pisgah, June & July	1.00
North Wilkesboro, 1st quarter	18.75
North Wilkesboro	13.00
Oak Plains	10.60
Oxford	15.00
Pinehurst, Special	15.25
Raeford	3.75
Raleigh 1st	10.00
Red Springs	5.82
Reynolda	54.00
Rockfish	.60
Rocky Mount 1st., Mrs. A. P. Tharpe	10.00
Rocky Mount 1st, Special, July & August	22.00
Rocky Mount 1st, Penny-A-Day	
June	9.11
July	7.85
Shelby	3.61
Smithfield	2.00
Smyrna (F)	15.00
South River	1.75
Statesville 1st, Special	20.87
Steele Creek	8.00
Wadesboro	3.00
Washington, June & July	9.00
West Avenue (KM)	4.00
West Avenue (M)	3.00
Westminster (M)	25.00
Westminster (O)	12.00
William & Mary Hart	3.00
Wm. & Mary Hart	3.00
Wilson, Penny-a-day	4.00
Wilson, Mrs. W. T. Clark	38.00
Winston-Salem 1st.	74.00
Yanceyville	10.00

Y. P. SOCIETIES

Gibson, Y. P. Society	3.00
Howard Memorial, Y. P. L.	5.00
Norwood C. E.	1.00
Rocky River, Jr. Y. P. L.	2.00
Total	**$3156.83**

News From Some of The Cottages

Annie Louise

Dear Readers of The Messenger:

We are glad of the opportunity to write and tell you what we are doing.

On July 4th we went to the picture, "Peg O' My Heart," and we all thoroughly enjoyed it.

Jackie Newman, Emma Eudy, Vittoria Salvaggio, and Millie May have returned from their vacations. Flora May Smith, Lily Bell Smith, Sarah Parcell, Nancy Parcell, Thelma Robards and Elizabeth Robards are still away. Others are planning to leave soon.

Grace and Agnes Coppedge recently left for Montreat to visit their uncle who is a missionary to Mexico, and who is spending a while at Montreat.

We picked blackberries and made some peach butter.

Ten of our girls have had the measles and we are trying not to give them to any other cottages. All are well, but one, and by the time you read this she will be well, too.

Mable Billings, who lives over at the Baby Cottage, is spending her vacation at Annie Louise with her sisters, Helen and Evelyn Billings.

The birds like our bird-bath. Twenty-two had a bath one evening when we were sitting on the grass plot.

Miss Miller went home Friday, July 28th, to spend a week. Miss Ford, one of the old Barium girls, took care of us while she was absent.

We were all sorry to hear of Mr. Edwin Gould's death, because he was such a good friend of ours. He was the one who gave us our playhouse.

—Agnes Coppedge

Lees

Oh, boy, we are going on the camping trip the 14th of August.

We continue to enjoy swims in our pool this summer

Only 12 of our boys are on vacation now. Ray Clendenin is at Cleveland; Neil McKee at Clarkton; Rex Lewis at Rocky Mount; Eugene Shannon at Lexington, Va.; John Ellis at High Point; Arnim East at Winston-Salem; Paul McKenzie at Pinehurst; David Spencer at Valdese; John Donaldson at Mt. Mourne; David Flowers in Charlotte, and Arthur Sigman at Taylorsville.

Miss Steele will be in Atlanta, Ga., for a month. We miss her very much.

We thank Mr. Thomas for the nice peaches and grapes he has been sending to us.

Mr. Clark's cantaloupes are ripe and we have been enjoying them immensely.

—House Boys.

HOWARD

We are all so glad to have the showers now. It keeps the dust down and we don't have to water our flowers.

We try to do most of our work in the morning so that we can have two hours' rest period and go in swimming in the afternoon.

Our summer has been very full with the various duties assigned us. During June we remodeled more than two hundred old garments for every-day wear, and assisted the girls, who were going on vacation the first of July, in getting their clothes ready.

So many of our larger girls have been away during July that we have been kept busy with our regular house cleaning, mending, stringing beans, canning and helping in the work of the cottages.

About eight of our girls have appliqued a butterfly counterpane. Alice Jones is making one by herself.

Miss Woods had a visit from her sister, Miss Lena Woods, last week end.

We were all sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Edwin Gould, especially the ones who spent the summer at his camp in New York last year.

Miss Alice Thompson, a former worker of Barium, but now of Yellow Springs, Ohio, paid us a visit on July 7th. She and her brother were spending a few days in the mountains. We were mighty glad to see her and hope she will come again.

We all enjoyed seeing "Peg O' My Heart" at the Playhouse in Statesville. We thank the manager very much.

—The Bean-Stringers

ALEXANDER

At the beginning of another month we find plenty of news, but also experience difficulty in writing it down. Things have been happening fast this summer.

Some of our boys are at camp in New York, some on their vacations and some of us are still sticking around. But we're all having a fine time here. There's plenty of peaches and plenty of sweet milk. That's what keeps us going! And, too, we can't help mentioning the good ole swimming hole, which, in our case, is a swimming pool. It comes in mighty handy these warm days, and we get lots of relief from the heat when we take a dip in it.

Before long watermelons will be making their first appearance on the campus. We're looking forward to their arrival.

We regretted to learn of Mr. Gould's death not long ago.

Some Barium-Davidson boys are up here working for the summer.

We also have some recent newcomers to the campus.

FARM

We're starting out to tell you people a little of what the farm group has been doing this summer.

First of all, we have reaped and threshed approximately 175 acres of wheat, barley and oats with an average crop.

On account of the drought, it has been necessary to make hay other than depending upon our alfalfa crop, which usually supplies us enough hay for the entire winter. We have plowed under our harvest fields of wheat, etc., and have planted some peas for peavine hay.

We have also been baling our straw. The purpose of this is to save the chaff and the straw which would be lost in hauling it from one place to another. We have baled around 1000 bales on 60 acres.

Our corn crop is not dong so well. We have had to replant some of our corn the second time, although some of it is doing very good considering the dry weather we have been having, and are still having.

We have just killed eight of our fat sheep and are now eating mutton. The sheep also had a very good growth of wool which was sold for almost $100.00.

At the present time we are short of hands since most of our boys are on their vacations. We sincerely hope that Ralph Spencer, Tom Clark, Morris Freeman, Jack Morrow and Billy Martin are having a most enjoyable vacation.

Now a word to our farmers who have not yet been on their vacation: We hope you will have a most delightful time.

Just For The Fun of It

Secrets to Success

"What is the secret to success?" asked the Sphinx.

"Push," said the Button.

"Never be lead," said the Pencil.

"Take pains," said the Window.

"Always keep cool," said the Ice.

"Be up to date," said the Calendar.

"Never lose your head," said the Match.

"Make light of your troubles," said the Fire.

"Do a driving business," said the Hammer.

"Don't be merely one of the hands," said the Clock.

"Aspire to great things," said the Nutmeg.

"Don't try to be too sharp in your dealings," said the Knife.

"Find a good thing and stick to it," said the Stamp.

"Do the work that suits you," said the Chimney.

—Sunshine Monthly.

—P. O. H.—

The absent minded professor met his son in school one morning and said:

"Good morning, John. How's your father?"

—P. O. H.—

Mother: "Bobby, did you do anything besides eat at the school picnic?"

Bobby: Yes, Mummie, we sang a hymn called, 'We Can Sing, Full Though We Be.'" Inquires revealed that the title of the hymn was, "Weak and Sinful Though We Be."

—P. O. H.—

Mr Brown: "I've had a worryng time with the insurance people. They ask such awkward questions. They even want to know the state of my mind."

Mrs. Brown: How absurd! I suppose you left it blank?"

—P. O. H.—

"Daddy will you get me a drum for Christmas?" asked Tony.

"No, sir, for you would always be bothering me with your noise."

"No, I won't Daddy, I'll promise you I'll beat it only when you're asleep."

—P. O. H.—

Young Bride: "I'd like to buy a chicken please."

Grocer: "Do you wanta pullet?"

Young Bride: "Hardly, sir, I'd rather carry it."

—P. O. H.—

Poorpaye: "I've brought that last pair of trousers to be reseated. You know I sit a lot."

Taylor: "Yes, and perhaps you've brought the bill to be reciepted, too. You know I've stood a lot."

—P. O. H.—

"My husband is trying to sell our car."

"Why?"

"He says the outgo for the upkeep is too much for his income."

Try This

An exchange prints the following curious item: "Tie a string about a yard long to a common door key. Then take the string in right hand and hold it so the key will clear the floor four or five inches. If you can hold the key steady enough it will begin to swing back and forth in a straight line. Let another person take your left hand in his and the motion of the key will change from a pendulum-like swing to a circular swing. If a third person will place his hand on the shoulder of the second person the key will stop. Try it and explain it if you can.

—P. O. H.—

Young Hopeful: "Can I change my name today, Ma?"

Mother: "What in the world do you want to change your name for?"

Young Hopeful: Cause pa said when he got home he'd whip me as sure as my name's Robert."

—P. O. H.—

"I am sorry," said the dentist, "but you cannot have an appointment with me this afternoon. I have eighteen cavities to fill." And he picked up his golf bag and went out.

—P. O. H.—

The English language is a funny thing. Tell a girl that time stands still as you gaze into her eyes, and she'll adore you. But just see what happens when you say her face would stop a clock.

Jake—That dollar you gave me yesterday was a counterfeit. What do you mean by that?

Jack—Well, didn't you say to me "I want a dollar and I want it bad"?

—P. O. H.—

First Alumnus: "Well, have any of your childhood ambitions been realized, Biggs?"

Second Alumnus: (father of large family): "At least one of them—it was always my desire to wear long trousers, and now I believe I wear them longer than anybody else?"

—P. O. H.—

"Lady," said the traffic officer to a driver he had stopped, "how long do you intend to be out?"

"What do you mean by that question?" she demanded indignantly.

"Well," he replied, "there are a few hundred other motorists who would like to use this street after you get through with it."

—P. O. H.—

Close Shave

"Really, Bill, your argument with your wife last night was most amusing."

"Wasn't it though? And when she threw the axe at me I thought I'd split."

—Selected.

—P. O. H.—

"The woman who drives from the back seat of a car is no worse than the man who cooks from the dining room table."

Material For A Pageant

There are many requests received at Barium for material on the institution, which is presented before the local Auziliries when special programs are arranged about the Orphanage. Last month one of the secretaries wrote that she wanted little children to represent the various cottages here, and to tell interesting things about them. Her request was complied with, and below will be found the answer. This can be used as a pageant. It is suggested that every person in charge of Orphanage work in the Auxiliaries clip this for future use. When it is presented, children the size of the boys and girls in the cottages at Barium can be used and will add to its effectiveness:

Baby Cottage

I am a little boy and will be four years old soon. I live in the Baby Cottage with eight other boys and 13 girls. I am the youngest boy, and the oldest one is seven years old. The youngest girls are two littie twins who are six months younger than I am, and now everybody calls them the "babies".

We used to have our dining room in our cottage, and we had lots of chicken and pies and other special things to eat, but for the last year we've been eating up in the big dining room with 300 other children. While we don't get as many special things to eat, we enjoy being up there with the big crowd. At first we couldn't hardly eat for watching the others, but now we feel all right and can eat almost as much as anybody else. Most of us sit at a long table with our matron, Mrs. McGirt, who is at the head.

The big boys and girls tease us a lot, saying that we don't do anything over here. But they're wrong. We have lots of hard work to do. We have our beds to make up, our teeth to clean, our faces to wash, and all summer long we have our feet to wash every night before we go to bed. We had a vacation this summer. Everybody else had a vacation for a little while, and we didn't see why we couldn't get a rest from brushing teeth, anyhow.

The cottage we live in is the very newest one on the place, and we do our best to keep it spick and span. It was given by Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Stowe of Belmont.

Annie Louise

I am one of 36 girls from six to ten years of age. We don't have as much work to do as the Rumple Hall girls, but we certainly do more than that little Baby Cottage crowd. We have a big lawn to keep clean, flowers and shubbery all around our cottage, and a lot of darning to do. All of our clothes come back from the laundry without any mending done. We look over these clothes, sew on all the buttons, do whatever patching and darning is necessary, and maybe iron a lot of them. We don't mind this, because we are just a little anxious to look a little better than the other cottage members. By doing our own mending we can sometimes fix up a dress a little better than it was before.

We get up at 6 o'clock in the morning, have our breakfast at 6:30 with the others, and then have our cleaning up to do. We don't know whether we are more proud of our flowers or our playhouse. We have a pretty playhouse in the yard, given us by Mr. Edwin Gould, of New York and we like to entertain our friends there.

About once a month we go to the picture show. We have a chance to see lots of games at Barium, and altogether, we have a pretty good time.

Synod Cottage

I am one of the lightnin' bugs, as some call us, from Synod Cottage. We have boys in our cottage from six to ten years of age. They call us lightnin' bugs because of our sun-suits. It is just too much trouble to put on all the clothes that most people wear in the summer, so our matron made us some sun-suits out of overall cloth. At a distance, people say that we look like a flock of lightnin' bugs—of course, with the lanterns turned out, the way a lightnin' bug looks in the day time. Anyhow, we don't mind it because we don't have very many clothes to take off to get into our bathing suits for the swimming pool.

We have a lot of hard work to do. Taking a bath twice a week is part of it, and keeping everything clean around the cottage is another part. And then, every once in a while, Mr. Johnston asks us to pull weeds. Last year we cleaned all of the campus of bitter weeds, and this last summer we pulled up all the bitter weeds in Mr. Lowrances pasture.

When we are not working, we usually practice some game. In the fall it's football. We have several teams in our cottage, and when there's a big game—either at our field or down at Davidson—sometimes Mr. McMillan uses the two best teams to play between the halves of the big game. We certainly do enjoy it. Sometimes at Davidson it gets pretty cold, and the people see our bare feet and think we haven't any shoes. We do have shoes, but we'd rather play barefooted—we can run faster and side-step better.

After the football season is over, we take up wrestling, basketball and track. All summer long we play baseball.

Along towards the latter part of the summer, Mr. Clark, our truck farm boss, lets us help gather potatoes. That's lots of fun, too. We go in the swimming pool about four times a week, which doesn't seem near often enough.

Howard Cottage

I am one of the 28 girls of Howard Cottage. Our ages are from 10 to 14 years. People say we do not have any regular work, but they don't know anything about it. Two of our girls are telephone girls, and the rest of us have to do all of the bean-stringing, corn-shucking, and sometimes, peach-peeling. Then, too, we help with the Baby cottage and also help clean up at the Woman's Building. Then, we still have time enough to have the prettiest shrubbery on the place.

We live in the cottage which used to be the home of the big girls, and we're proud to keep it just as neat as they did.

We not only do the mending of our clothes, but we even make a few, and we are going to do more of that from now on. You see, the clothing room matron spends a week or two at our cottage helping us make over the clothes that we have. Somehow a dress which would fit one of us this year would be too tight next year, so it is fitted on a smaller girl. After the matron has done all this, she then goes back to the sewing room and makes such new dresses as we need. We are learning to help her in this, and by the time we get to be tenth-graders we are going to know a lot about it.

By the way, if you ever come to Barium Springs, and have to be shown over the place, the chances are that a Howard Cottage girl will be selected to show you around, in case Mr. Johnston and others are away or busy. We are always mighty glad to do it, too.

Lee's Cottage

I am a boy from Lee's Cottage, and there are 36 of us here between the ages of 10 and 14. It makes us laugh to think of those Synod Cottage boys talking about work. They don't even know what that word means. Now with us it is real work. We don't know what Barium Springs would do without us. We get up at 6 o'clock like all the rest. After breakfast, during school time, part of us go to school in the morning, and the rest of us go right out to the truck farm, to the orchard, and to the main farm to work. You would be surprised as to how much there is to do. Trees to be sprayed—even in the winter time. Plowing has to be done, and during the summer time, it's just amazing. The hotter the sun gets the more there is to do, or so it seems to us.

We dug potatoes this summer, but the weather was so dry that we did not get many. Somehow, potatoes taste better than they did last year, when we had a lot of them. The same is true of our peaches. We didn't have nearly as many as we did a year ago, but they tasted so much better than they did last year. Please explain that to me.

We have finished harvesting wheat and threshing it, and we made about 2,500 bushels last summer, which is better than usual. Mr. Johnston says it takes about 2,000 bushels of wheat to buy our bread, so we made a little extra this year. We have to raise all the alfalfa hay for the cows, all the corn for the pigs, and oats for the sheep and rabbits.

Rumple Hall

There are 36 of us at Rumple Hall. We sleep on the second floor. Our ages run from 12 to 16, and we walk several miles a day carrying food. We have one of those jobs that everybody hates—'cept us—and that is washing dishes. We get up at the same time as the rest of the crowd in the morning, and ten minutes before breakfast we have to be ready and in the dining room to put on the meals. Then we wait on the tables. After breakfast we have the dishes to wash and the dining room to clean up. After that, if there's time, we can have a little fun. The same thing has to be done for dinner, and later on, for supper. We just wish people could be filled up once a week, and let that do, but it doesn't seem to work that way.

In the winter time, we have a more complicated system. For instance, half of the girls have to go to school in the morning, and the other half have all the cleaning up to do, and finally to put dinner on the tables. But we don't wait on the tables at dinner, the other half of the girls do that. They wash dishes afterwards and get everything done in the afternoon and put supper on the tables.

We have a fine system in the dining room. We hope all of you can come and see just how it works. We have lots of visitors, but very few of the visitors see the after-part of dinner—dishwashing. There's something like a ton and a half of dishes to wash every day, and it would be terrible if it were not for the fact that there are a good many of us doing it. So, after an hour and a half of everybody pitching in, we are usually through. Some times when we are invited to the picture show, we can finish up in less time than that!

We see most of the football games at home, and some of us get to go to the football games in other towns when our teams play.

Alexander Cottage

I belong to the 38 boys of Alexander Cottage. We are just a little bit older than the Lee's Cottage boys, and we all work on one group—the dairy. We can sometimes get off work when the Lee's Cottage boys can't, but the Lee's boys have it all on us when it comes to a holiday. Cows don't recognize Sunday or any time else; they just go right on giving milk, and we have to milk them twice a day in spite of everything—even on the Fourth of July!

We get up in the morning along with the rest of the boys. Right after breakfast, we go down and milk, and then we have a lot of work to do around the dairy barn which keeps us busy until about 11 o'clock. In the summer time we go in swimming when the work is finished. In the winter, we practice football 'till dinner time. After dinner, we have some more work—milking at 4 o'clock. Then we all get together after supper and have a grand old game of baseball.

On Sunday, when breakfast is an hour later, we get up an hour earlier, and get through our milking before breakfast. We do this way on almost every holiday, too. In the winter time when school is on, half of the boys milk in the morning, and the other half in the afternoon.

Our group of boys is not split up like the Lee's Cottage boys, and we have a better chance to get together and practice team work. Maybe this is the reason why Alexander Cottage usually beats when we play some other cottage in football, basketball, or in a track meet. It may be that, or it may be that we just are naturally better men from fooling with cows so much. We have to milk over 50 cows, and look after another 50. We have the biggest cow in this neck of the woods. We saw in the paper not long ago that there was a cow in Texas that weighed 2,800 pounds. Well, we have one that weighs 2,600!

Jennie Gilmer

I belong with the Big Boys—the he-men of Barium. All of the high school, with a few exceptions, room in Jennie Gilmer, and the overflow stays at what we call "The Country Club". The Country Club is a tenant house near the depot, and we think it is about the best place of all.

Usually, there are something like 40 boys in the Jennie Gilmer Cottage. We do not have a matron. We sometimes wish we did have one, because a house just won't stay clean, it seems, unless there is a woman in it.

We have the heaviest work to do. We drive the mules, operate the tractor and the truck, handle the threshing machine, the mowing machine, and all the other machinery of the place. We are the real farmers, with some folks from Lee's Cottage to help.

We used to worry about having to work so hard, but since we started playing football here about 10 years ago, we found out that the boys who had to do the most walking and the hardest work throughout the entire year did the best in football. So, since that time, we have wanted this work on purpose.

Some of the boys are on the mechanic gang. They help Mr. Grier look after the water pumps, the steam lines, the electric lines, the big furnace (we don't look like white people when we finish our work at the big boilers) and some assist in painting. Then some are in the printing office and help get out The Messenger, The Scoreboard, posters, the church bulletin, and a lot of other printed matter. But the main part of our crew are farmers.

Woman's Building

I am one of the girls in the Lottie Walker Building, which is also known as the Woman's Building. It used to be divided into two groups, with the seventh, eighth and ninth grades on the second floor, and tenth and eleventh grades on the first floor. But we now have only one matron, and we call ourselves one group. The tenth and eleventh grades are still on the first floor, and some of the eleventh grade girls help look after the rest of the cottage.

We really do all the important work around the place. We have all been Rumple Hall girls, and we know that is pretty tedious work but it is not anything like as tedious as the kitchen. We have to help in cooking the meals. About all they have to do is to take it in and put it on the tables and then clean up afterwards. Let me tell you, cooking for over 300 people three times a day is not so easy. We are the first people up on the whole place. That is, two of us are. These are what we call "kitchen girls". They have to stay in Rumple Hall when they are on duty, and get up at 5 o'clock in the morning to start breakfast. After breakfast, six girls prepare dinner, and then four others prepare supper. Some of us get to be mighty good cooks. We would like for you to come to see us and let us prove that.

Then, there is another large group of us who look after the laundry. This is a pretty hard job, but we usually finish it up in three days in the summer time. In the winter it is a longer job because we do not have as many girls at work. You see, school has to be attended, and that means half of us go to school in the mornings and half in the afternoons.

There is the sewing room to look after. The eleventh grade girls, with a few tenth grade girls, usually do this work, and they make nearly all of the clothes worn by all of the girls here, and we have to make all of the high school girls' clothes. The number of garments runs up into the thousands.

In addition to all of this, we have the important jobs in all the cottages. That is, as helpers to our matron, Miss Adams, assistants in the Baby Cottage, assistants in the Infirmary, and for the general supervision all over the place. One of us is Assistant Librarian. Two of us help the matrons in Synod's Cottage take care of those 36 wiggling boys, and all in all, we don't see how they could get along here without us at all. At least a third of us move out every year, and when we come back on visits we find that things somehow seem to be going just as smoothly as they did before the graduates left.

The age limit in our cottage is usually from 13 to 18. We have as many as 72 quite often.

The boys in Jennie Gilmer have just as nice a cottage as ours, but somehow they always like to come over to our cottage and sit around. —especially on Sunday afternoons, which is about the only free time they have. It can't be to get things to eat, because they eat their supper before they come over. I suppose it is just because they are lonesome.

ALUMNI NEWS

The Alumni Column seems to have been crowded out of the July Messenger, but the news in the August Messenger makes up for it. We had a visit from Walter Fraley who spent several days renewing friendships, and making new ones. Walter is still located with the Shenandoah Valley Academy at Winchester, Virginia.

Edwin Chapman blew in on us the Fourth of July, and you had to look twice at that boy to recognize him as the same little chap who left us just four years ago. Edwin is back East and hopes to enter Annapolis this fall.

News comes from Durham that Edna McMillan is married. This is such an interesting news event that not less than five people have written in about it, but have neglected to give us the name of the lucky man. We will find out his name some day, but in the meantime, we wish this young couple all the good things in the world, and hope they can visit Barium during their honeymoon.

News from Chattanooga has reached us that Robert Eli Morris was married on July the sixth, to Miss Elizabeth Cross of Chattanooga, and now Ruth Morris, Eli's sister, must feel like an "orphan" sure enough. However, Ruth is rejoicing over the fact that Eli is married as much as anybody else.

Another marrige! Willard Ayers, Charlotte - Not George, but Willard has taken unto himself a better half, and now is interested in locating the man that said that two could live as cheaply as one. Our best wishes go to this young couple.

We have just received a letter telling of the death of Mrs. J. M. Crowder on July the 9th, in Little Rock, Arkansas. Mrs. Crowder was, before her marriage, Miss Fairie Hamilton. Miss Hamilton entered Barium Springs, with three of her brothers and sister, from Gastonia in 1902. She graduated in 1912. She was a fine Christian woman, and all her life she was most loyal to the old home at Barium Springs. She had lived in Little Rock, Arkansas, for the last fourteen years, but even being away from North Carolina did not make her forget her old home here.

We know that many of the former students at Barium will remember her and hear of her death with sorrow.

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total of additions last month was 471 names.

Once more, a request is being made of the pastors that they return the lists now in their possession. Individuals are ask to notify The Barium Messenger if two copies of the paper are coming to their homes. It is almost inhumanly possible to avoid these duplications in many instances and it is only through this individual aid that a saving to the orphanage can be made.

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pastor's salary would be paid, maybe not until after harvest time, but sufficient money would accrue from the sale to carry his salary and the church for a year.

Orphanages would not suffer but could amply care for the dependent children. Missionaries who are waiting until sufficient money is given could be sent out, and the burdens of those already in the field could be relieved a hundred-fold. Missions in the home land could expand and reach the countless thousands who know nothing of Christ. Other causes would likewise receive more gifts.

For the benefit of those churches who want to give consideration to this plan of taking care of the Lord's work, a statement issued by the Buffalo officers is re-printed below, and gives an idea of the methods used:

"The Buffalo Presbyterian Church has adopted the 'Lord's Acre' plan of raising its budget this year.

"The Congregation has been divided into 14 groups made up of two or more families in each group.

"The working plan is for each group to plant, as a group or individually, an acre or more in some staple crop, such as cotton, tobacco, corn, potatoes and other things as they wish.

"The only real difficulty we face is the problem of fertilizer. Some of the groups will not be in position to provide fertilizer. (Comment of writer: The fertilizer company alleviated this difficulty to a degree.)

"In the fall these crops will be gathered up and delivered to the church where, after a thanksgiving service, they will be offered for sale and the proceeds given to the treasurer of the church."

And finally, as a result of this adopted plan, church members who previously gave $3.00 to $5.00 a year to the church will give this year $50 to $75. Multiply this by the families of the congregation participating, and this will be a splended result. And, somehow it seems that the Lord will not only bless the particular land devoted to His work, but will also shower blessings on the other land under cultivation for personal use.

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vating and the routine things that man is supposed to do, but we could stop worrying about whether the rain would come at the right time, or whether the hail would injure the crop, or whether the price would be anything, because all of that would be the Lord's business, and since that would be His acre, it would be interesting to see if it would receive a special blessing. We just have a hunch that it would. But that blessing that that particular acre would receive would somehow leak out and overflow all the rest of that man's crop. That is an experiment we would like to see tried every where.

Just summing up: While July receipts were better than July of last year, the total amount for the new church year is still quite a bit behind that of a year ago. And it is going to take several months of this increased rate of giving to even things up. We are hopeful, but we are not out of the woods.

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before.

As stated before in The Messenger, no charge is made for the visit, but at Asheboro, they had decided to take an offering for Barium that evening, with the results that it totaled the fine amount of $16.39. Those in charge had made it clear to the people of Asheboro that the picture was free, and that the contribution would be voluntary. It is believed that this plan is excellent, for the expenses of the trip would be amply cared for, and there would be an additional amount for the orphanage treasury—something which is always needed and most useful.

Several engagements have already been made for August. The pictures will be shown in St. Pauls on August 14th, in Maxton on the 15th, and at Laurel Hill on the 16th. It is suggested that those churches near these localities plan to have delegations present. It will not be possible to visit every church, but the central places of display will give most of the Presbyterians of the Synod a chance to see them.

At Durham, the Albemarle Presbyterial Secretary was present and said she would want the pictures for three showings before group meetings in her Presbyterial this fall. It was agreed to make the trip. Watch The Messenger for the dates and places of showing.

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months of the church year is as follows: (It takes 27,000 meals a month to care for the children at the Orphanage.)

Month	No. Meals
April	8,627
May	6,632
June	8,252
July	9,425
August	?
September	?
October	?
November	?
December	?
January	?
February	?
March	?